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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Jordan Bureau--September 1986

I. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Reportage and comment on West Bank developments continue to be broadcast with increasing frequency by Jordanian media. On 19 September, in its 30-minute weekly program entitled "With Our People in the Occupied Territory," Amman Television Service in Arabic broadcast the 20-minute "text" of a "political" poll conducted in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The initial report on the poll was published in the 8 September Jerusalem Arabic paper AL-FAJR. The poll, which was prepared in association with the New York NEWSDAY magazine and the Australian Television Network, covered 1,024 residents and highlighted their situation, standard of living, and views on the Palestinian issue and its ramifications. Jordan Bureau filed the text of the poll from Amman Television, a comparison FYI from the official newspaper SAWT AL-SHA'B, and numerous Jordanian public and media reactions to the poll.

The bureau is also preparing weekly roundups of media treatment of West Bank developments for inclusion in the embassy's weekly wrap-up cable on West Bank contacts/developments.

2. At the request of the American Embassy in Sanaa, the bureau filed the four-take text of the 25 September address by YAR President 'Ali 'Abdallah Salih on the occasion of the 24th anniversary of the 26 September revolution, at immediate precedence.

B. Technical

1. Bureau involvement in the use of its IBM PC's is progressing apace, and will hopefully expand further with the receipt of additional equipment. In addition to the normal word processing functions, the bureau is using the PC's for the monthly staff and non-staff personnel reports. We are also using bureau-designed programs to produce the monthly Telex bills for the embassy and to produce our non-expendable property inventory. This latter program was also used to produce the Annual Dollar Value report. We are in the final stages of producing the documentation for these programs.

2. Bureau plans to configure our Comscribe printers to use pin-feed, fan-fold paper took another step forward with the receipt of prom kits to make our printers produce a form feed upon receipt of the four 'N's' at the end of a message. This will enable us to receive traffic on our overnight unattended circuit directly on printers, as opposed to the current necessity of first punching tape for later printing.

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3. The bureau also received one Epson FX-85 printer, seven Comscribe triple font and five Comscribe single font printers. Thirteen Comscribe printers will be locally modified to provide external switching between 50 and 75 baud rates for coverage of various press agencies. Schematic of the modification is being pouched to FSB/FED.

C. Lateral Services

1. The Foreign Service Institute at Amembassy Tunis has been added as a local consumer for bureau Video Selection Lists. They are interested in current material for language training purposes.

II. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. The Embassy has just announced that, resulting from the recent annual wage scale local survey, there will be no Embassy wage scale increase this year.

2. Former Gulf Bureau Chief Monitor [] transferred to Jordan Bureau, in absentia, effective 28 September. [] will fill the vacant monitor supervisor position. Bureau now is only one short of filling our new monitorial T/O of 15. We will not attempt to fill the remaining slot until our two new EOD monitors, [] are fully trained and all the new coverage assimilated. STAT
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3. Senior Monitor [] received a PSI to FBN-10/4 on 28 September. STAT

4. Sons were born to commo operator [] on the 28th and to part-time contract technician [] on the 22d. STAT
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III. VISITS

A. To the Bureau:

1. Deputy Chief, Operations Group [] 4-8 September. STAT

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Chief, Jordan Bureau

ATT: Monthly Production Report

JORDAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: 7723
 TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: 232,680
 TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH: 61,368
 871

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: BROAD- PRESS PUBLI-
 CASTS AGENCIES CATIONS
 (MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK) 7785 21840 146

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
 (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CLANDESTINE (IRAN AND IRAQ)
 (CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN ARABIC 0
 (CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN ARABIC 0
 BAHRAIN
 MANAMA WAKH IN ARABIC 11150
 ALSO: ABU DHABI WAKH IN ARABIC 1510
 DOHA QNA IN ARABIC 5660
 MUSCAT QNA IN ARABIC 0
 MANAMA WAKH IN ENGLISH 1120
 FRANCE
 PARIS RADIO MONTE CARLO IN ARABIC 8350
 PARIS AL-MUSTADBAL IN ARABIC 0
 PARIS AL-HATAN AL-THABBI IN ARABIC 1090
 IRAQ
 BAGHDAD VOICE OF THE MASSES IN ARABIC 21830
 BAGHDAD VOICE OF PLO IN ARABIC 13690
 BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC 170
 BAGHDAD INA IN ARABIC 24040
 BAGHDAD INA IN ENGLISH 930
 BAGHDAD AL-JUMHURIYAH IN ARABIC 0
 BAGHDAD AL-THAWRAH IN ARABIC 0
 ISRAEL
 JERUSALEM IN ARABIC TO THE ARAB WORLD 500
 JORDAN
 AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC 7630
 AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC 5320
 AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ENGLISH 250
 AMMAN PETRA-JNA IN ARABIC 2250
 AMMAN AKHBAR AL-USBU' IN ARABIC 930
 AMMAN AL-DUSTUR IN ARABIC 4770
 AMMAN AL-RA'Y IN ARABIC 5300
 AMMAN THE JERUSALEM STAR IN ENGLISH 0
 AMMAN JORDAN TIMES IN ENGLISH 8060
 AMMAN SHAWT AL-SHA'D IN ARABIC 6210
 KUWAIT
 KUWAIT AL-ANDAL' IN ARABIC 6230
 KUWAIT AL-QABAS IN ARABIC 610
 KUWAIT AL-RA'Y AL-YAMH IN ARABIC 4040
 KUWAIT AL-SIVASAH IN ARABIC 1030
 KUWAIT TIMES IN ENGLISH 170
 LEBANON
 MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN ARABIC 390
 OMAN
 MUSCAT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC 3570
 MUSCAT 'UMAH IN ARABIC 350
 OMAN DAILY OBSERVER IN ENGLISH 0
 SAUDI ARABIA
 AL-DHAMAN AL-YAMH IN ARABIC 470
 JEDDAH SAUDI GAZETTE IN ENGLISH 0
 SUDAN
 KHARTOUM SUNA IN ARABIC 11200
 KHARTOUM SUNA IN ENGLISH 14750
 SYRIA
 DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC 23820
 DAMASCUS TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC 6790
 DAMASCUS SANA IN ARABIC 7960
 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
 ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD IN ARABIC 6320
 ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD AL-USBU'I IN ARABIC 0
 YEMEN
 SANA' AL-BAYAN IN ARABIC 2610
 YEMEN
 SANA' VOICE OF PALESTINE IN ARABIC 5590
 SANA' DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC 4750